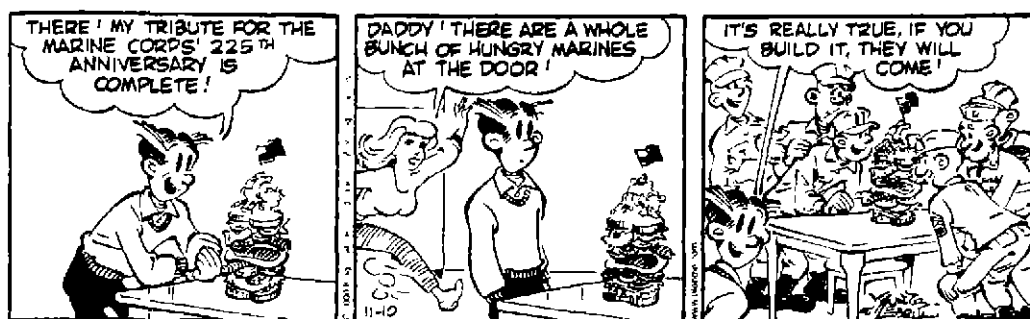


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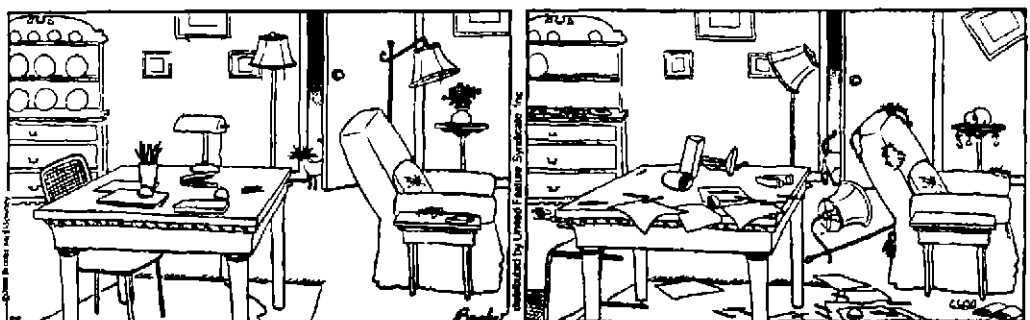
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THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



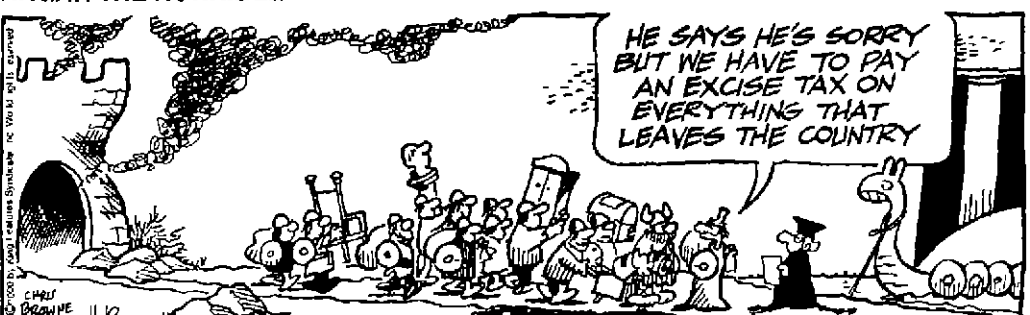
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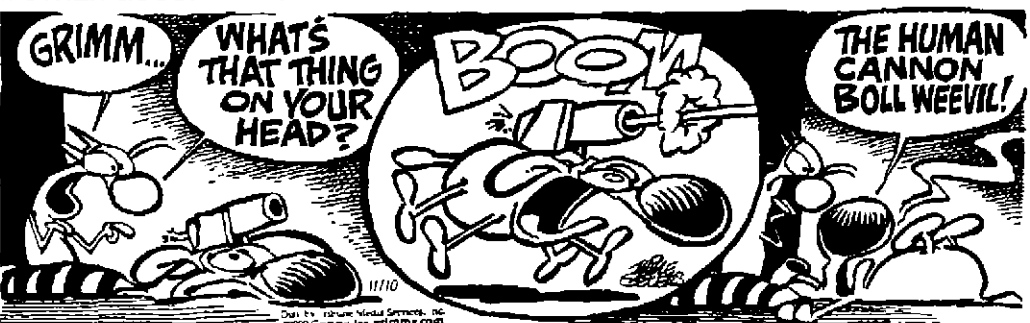
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



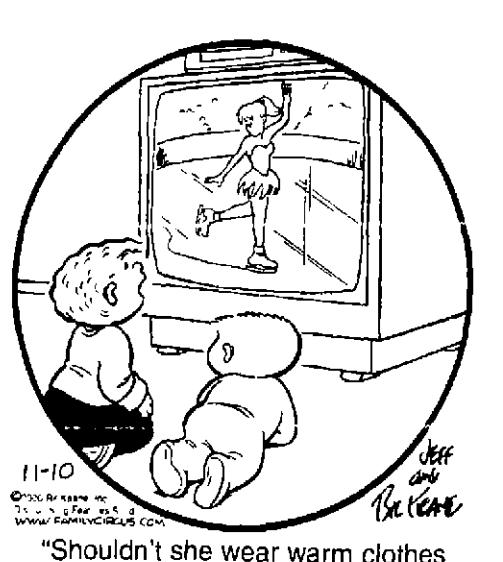
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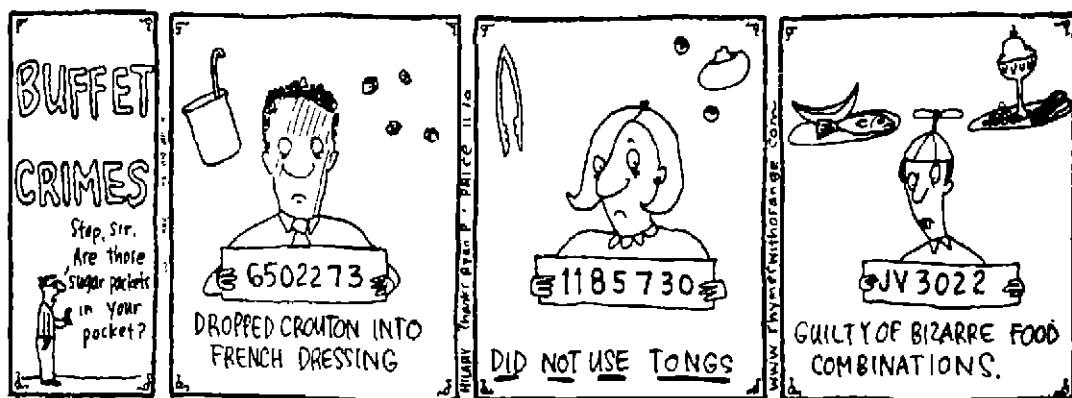
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



"My regular thermometer broke, so I brought this one from home"

Today's Birthdays

Blues singer **Bobby Rush** is 66. Actor **Albert Hall** is 63. Lyricist **Tim Rice** is 56. Actress **Alaina Reed-Hall** is 54. Rock singer-musician **Greg Lake** (Emerson, Lake and Palmer) is 52. Actress-dancer **Ann Reinking** is 51. Actor **Jack Scalia** is 49. Movie director **Roland Emmerich** is 45. Actor **Matt Craven** is 44. Actor-comedian **Sinbad** is 44. Actress **Mackenzie Phillips** is 41.

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E	A	U	S	R	Q	D	Triple Word Score
E	T	A	M	L	B	M	
A	A	N	G	E	T	P	Triple Word Score

PAR SCORE 160-170 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring of letters as at right. 7 letter words get 50 point bonus. Bonus used as my letter have an odd value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (M & M's Western) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 11:00am 2000 United Feature Syndicate Inc.

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WORD SLEUTH

THINGS PEOPLE PLAY

RYVSPMIHEBYVTEQ
OLIGTYDBEYYWRT
PMKIFEKLLABISDB
RYWUSQGOOSFMEKI
FEDBZUPOOHTXSWU
JUKEBOXSTHSRRQO
SECOND FIDDLE ON L
JHFOPDWDCCRRAHPY
WVMUSSOPTSAAEQS
PNLKIHFSSSEHCHEC
BZYWVDLEIFEHTUS

Thursday's unlisted clue HOCKEY
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Friday's unlisted clue hint Dating More Than One Person

Ball	Hard to get	Odds	Sports
Bugle	Hooky	Poker	The horses
Cards	Jukebox	Possum	With fire
Chess	Monopoly	Second fiddle	

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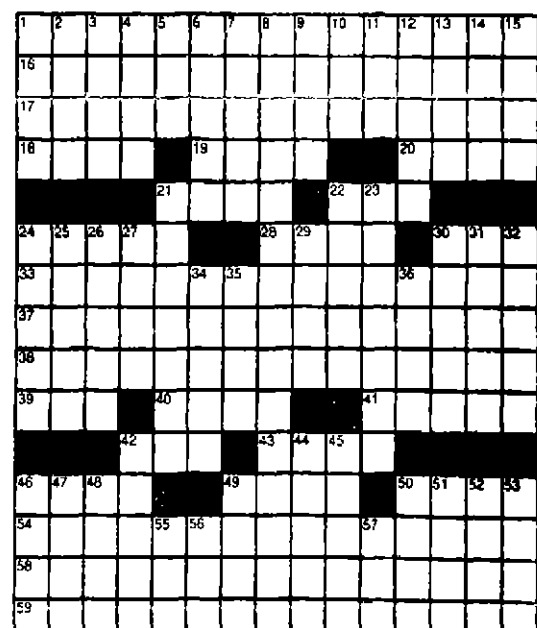
N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

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- ACROSS**
- Comprehensive insurance plans
 - Cause for celebration
 - Summer runners
 - Romeo's last words
 - 1995 role for Kenneth Branagh
 - Empty talk
 - Start of a religious observance?
 - Command level Abbr.
 - Personal involvement
 - Provider of a pick-me-up?
 - What 1 might mean Abbr.
 - Contract provision
 - "Leaving Home" author
 - "Guys and Dolls" song
 - Purged
 - 40 March figures, for short
 - They're made to measure
 - Midge units
 - Broken
 - Trouble spots?
 - Capital of Moravia
 - It takes a beating
 - Team for which George Plimpton once played
 - "Ain't Misbehavin'" tune
 - Like 101, to 102?
 - Sons of, in Hebrew
 - Wooed
 - "Tales of a Wayside Inn" bell town
 - Swell
 - Hootchy-___
 - "The Untouchables" composer
 - Mormons
 - Shouts of triumph
 - Promise to marry
 - "___ be in England"
 - Rule, in Rouen
 - 1969 Peace Prize grp
 - Sure thing
 - Noodle concoction
 - Clear
 - Network Abbr.
 - Dependent
 - Shine
 - Paramecium, e.g.
 - Popeye's creator
 - Letter before goph
 - Like a farm
 - Baron Münchhausen
 - Places of refuge
 - Something to sip
 - Together
 - "Phooey"
 - Nike competitor
- DOWN**
- Novelist Easton Ellis
 - Classic dress
 - Courtroom cover-up
 - Combined, in Compiegne
 - "Comin' ___" (1981 3-D western)
 - "Ice cream" flavor, briefly
 - Prefix with -itis

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

LASH PRIAM GRAZ
OSHA MELGA LARA
CHAR APERS INAN
HEHASNOTASINGLE
KITTY INK
LATINO BENJAMIN
ITER MILIEU CHE
MAXIS DIN NAGEL
ERA CLONES REAL
DISRAELI ARTERY
ELM ANTI
REDEEMINGDEFECT
AMOK IRENA ACHY
FIDE NOVEL CHAP
TOD GNAWS TOTO



Puzzle by Bob Kahn

- 49 Novelist Easton Ellis
- 50 Classic dress
- 51 Courtroom cover-up
- 52 Combined, in Compiegne
- 53 One of a group of 40-Across
- 55 Letters starting many military plane names
- 56 French pronoun
- 57 Drawing

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